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In re Application of :
Wu et al. :
Application No. 09/673,559 :
Filed: February 22, 2001 :
For: Spacecraft Shading Device :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(a), filed May 24, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **granted**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely reply within three months to the non-final Office action mailed January 16, 2002. A two-month extension of time was obtained. Therefore, the application became abandoned on June 17, 2002. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on August 27, 2002.

The instant petition seeks revival of the application. Petitioner has met the requirements to revive the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(a). Therefore, the petition is granted.

A refund of the overpayment of \$55 for the two month extension of time will be scheduled.

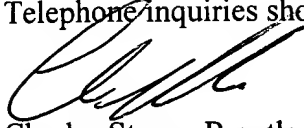
The record indicates that petitioner may not know the proper methods by which 37 CFR 1.8 may be employed. The required language may not simply be placed on the Certified Mail Domestic Return Receipt. As a courtesy, excerpts from the MPEP concerning Rule 8, and Rule 10, are attached.

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The file is now being forwarded to Technology Center Art Unit 3643 for consideration by the examiner of the reply filed on November 4, 2002.

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Attached (to papers mailed to Turbosat address): Excerpts from MPEP concerning Rule 8 and 10

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